

SECTION F

SECTION F APPLIES IF THE PRICE OF THE CONTRACT EXCEEDS \$500,000

F.1 FAR 52.219-9 SMALL BUSINESS AND SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (JAN 1991)

(a) This clause does not apply to small business concerns.

(b) "Commercial product," as used in this clause, means a product in regular production that is sold in substantial quantities to the general public and/or industry at established catalog or market prices. It also means a product which, in the opinion of FERMCO, differs only insignificantly from the Seller's commercial product.

"Subcontract," as used in this clause, means any agreement (other than one involving an employer-employee relationship) entered into by FERMCO and Seller or Seller's subcontractor calling for supplies or services required for performance of the contract or subcontract.

(c) The Seller, upon request by FERMCO, shall submit and negotiate a subcontracting plan, where applicable, which separately addresses subcontracting with small business concerns and small disadvantaged business concerns. If the Seller is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business concerns and with small disadvantaged business concerns with a part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made a part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be negotiated within the time specified by FERMCO. Failure to submit and negotiate the subcontracting plan shall make the Seller ineligible for award of a contract.

(d) The Seller's subcontracting plan shall include the following:

(1) Goals, expressed in terms of percentages of total planned subcontracting dollars, for the use of small business concerns and small disadvantaged business concerns as subcontractors. The Seller shall include all subcontracts that contribute to contract performance, and may include a proportionate share of products and services that are normally allocated as indirect costs.

(2) A statement of -

(i) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted;

(ii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small business concerns; and

(iii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small disadvantaged business concerns.

(3) A description of the principal types of supplies and services to be subcontracted, and an identification of the

types planned for subcontracting to (i) small business concerns and (ii) small disadvantaged business concerns.

(4) A description of the method used to develop the subcontracting goals in (1) above.

(5) A description of the method used to identify potential sources for solicitation purposes (e.g., existing company source lists, the Procurement Automated Source System (PASS) of the Small Business Administration, the National Minority Purchasing Council Vendor Information Service, the Research and Information Division of the Minority Business Development Agency in the Department of Commerce, or small and small disadvantaged business concerns trade associations).

(6) A statement as to whether or not the Seller included indirect costs in establishing subcontracting goals, and a description of the method used to determine the proportionate share of indirect costs to be incurred with (i) small business concerns and (ii) small disadvantaged business concerns.

(7) The name of the individual employed by the Seller who will administer the Seller's subcontracting program, and a description of the duties of the individual.

(8) A description of the efforts the Seller will make to assure that small business concerns and small disadvantaged business concerns have an equitable opportunity to compete for subcontracts.

(9) Assurances that the Seller will include the clause in this contract entitled "Utilization of Small Business Concerns and Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns" in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities, and that the Seller will require all subcontractors (except small business concerns) who receive subcontracts in excess of \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), to adopt a plan similar to the plan agreed to by the Seller.

(10) Assurances that the Seller will (i) cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be required, (ii) submit periodic reports in order to allow FERMCO to determine the extent of compliance by the Seller with the subcontracting plan, (iii) submit Standard Form (SF) 294, Subcontracting Report, for individual contracts, and/or SF 295, Summary Subcontract Report, in accordance with the instructions on the forms, and (iv) ensure that its subcontractors agree to submit standard Forms 294 and 295.

(11) A recitation of the types of records the Seller will maintain to demonstrate procedures that have been adopted to comply with the requirements and goals in the plan, including establishing source lists; and a description of its efforts to locate small and small disadvantaged business concerns and award subcontracts to them. The records shall include at least the following (on a plant-wide or company-wide basis, unless otherwise indicated):

(i) Source lists, guides, and other data that identify small and small disadvantaged business concerns.

(ii) Organizations contacted in an attempt to locate sources that are small or small disadvantaged business concerns.

(iii) Records on each subcontract solicitation resulting in an award of more than \$100,000, indicating (A) whether small business concerns were solicited and if not, why not, (B) whether small disadvantaged business concerns were solicited and if not, why not, and (C) if applicable, the reason award was not made to a small business concern.

(iv) Records of any outreach efforts to contact (A) trade associations, (B) business development organizations, and (C) conferences and trade fairs to locate small and small disadvantaged business sources.

(v) Records of internal guidance and encouragement provided to buyers through (A) workshops, seminars, training, etc., and (B) monitoring performance to evaluate compliance with the program's requirements.

(vi) On a contract-by-contract basis, records to support award data submitted by the Seller to FERMCO, including the name, address, and business size of each subcontractor. Sellers having company or division-wide annual plans need not comply with this requirement.

(e) In order to effectively implement this plan to the extent consistent with efficient contract performance, the Seller shall perform the following functions:

(1) Assist small business and small disadvantaged business concerns by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules so as to facilitate the participation by such concerns. Where the Seller's lists of potential small business and small disadvantaged subcontractors are excessively long, reasonable effort shall be made to give all such small business concerns an opportunity to compete over a period of time.

(2) Provide adequate and timely consideration of the potentialities of small business and small disadvantaged business concerns in all "make-or-buy" decisions.

(3) Counsel and discuss subcontracting opportunities with representatives of small and small disadvantaged business firms.

(4) Provide notice to subcontractors concerning penalties and remedies for misrepresentations of business status as small business or small disadvantaged business for the purpose of obtaining a subcontract that is to be included as part or all of a goal contained in the Seller's subcontracting plan.

(f) A master subcontracting plan on a plant or division-wide basis which contains all the elements required by (d) above,

except goals, may be incorporated by reference as a part of the subcontracting plan required of the Seller by this clause; provided, (1) the master plan has been approved, (2) the Seller provides copies of the approved master plan and evidence of its approval to FERMCO, and (3) goals and any deviations from the master plan deemed necessary by FERMCO to satisfy the requirements of this contract are set forth in the individual subcontracting plan.

(g) (1) If a commercial product is offered, the subcontracting plan required by this clause may relate to the Seller's production generally, for both commercial and noncommercial products, rather than solely to FERMCO's contract. In these cases, the Seller shall, with the concurrence of FERMCO, submit one company-wide or division-wide annual plan.

(2) The annual plan shall be reviewed for approval by DOE through FERMCO which requires a subcontracting plan during the fiscal year, or by an agency satisfactory to FERMCO.

(3) The approved plan shall remain in effect during the Seller's fiscal year for all of the Seller's commercial products.

(h) Prior compliance of the Seller with other such subcontracting plans under previous contracts will be considered by FERMCO in determining the responsibility of the Seller for award of the contract.

(i) The failure of the Seller or the Seller's subcontractors to comply in good faith with (1) the clause of this contract entitled "Utilization of Small Business Concerns and Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns" or (2) an approved plan required by this clause shall be a material breach of the contract.

F.2 FAR 52.219-16 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES-SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (AUG 1989)

(a) "Failure to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan," as used in the clause, means a willful or intentional failure to perform in accordance with the requirements of the subcontracting plan approved under the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business and Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Plan, " or willful or intentional action to frustrate the plan.

(b) If, at contract completion, or in the case of a commercial products plan, at the close of the fiscal year for which the plan is applicable, the Seller has failed to meet its subcontracting goals and FERMCO decides in accordance with paragraph (c) of this clause that the Seller failed to make good faith effort to comply with its subcontracting plan, established in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Small and Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Plan," the Seller shall pay FERMCO liquidated damages in an amount stated. The amount of damages attributable to the Seller's failure to comply shall be an amount equal to the actual dollar amount by which the Seller failed to achieve each subcontract goal or, in the case of a commercial products plan, that portion of the dollar amount allocable to FERMCO contracts by which the Seller failed to achieve each subcontract goal.

(c) Before FERMCO makes a final decision that the Seller has failed to make such good faith effort, FERMCO shall give the Seller written notice specifying the failure and permitting the Seller to demonstrate what good faith efforts have been made. Failure to respond to the notice may be taken as an admission that no valid explanation exists. If, after consideration of all the pertinent data, FERMCO finds that the Seller failed to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan, FERMCO shall issue a final decision to that effect and require that the Seller pay FERMCO liquidated damages as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause.

(d) With respect to commercial products plans, i.e., company-wide or division-wide subcontracting plans approved under paragraph (g) of the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business and Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Plan," FERMCO, who originally approved the plan, will exercise the functions under this clause on behalf of all agencies that awarded contracts covered by that commercial products plan.

(e) The Seller shall have the right of appeal, under the clause of this contract entitled "Disputes."

(f) Liquidated damages shall be in addition to any other remedies that FERMCO may have.

F.3 FAR 52.220-4 LABOR SURPLUS AREA SUBCONTRACTING PROGRAM (APR 1984)

(a) See the Utilization of Labor Surplus Area Concerns clause of this contract for applicable definitions.

(b) The Seller agrees to establish and conduct a program to encourage labor surplus area (LSA) concerns to compete for subcontracts within their capabilities when the subcontracts are consistent with the efficient performance of the contract at prices no higher than obtainable elsewhere. The Seller shall-

(1) Designate a liaison officer who will (i) maintain liaison with authorized representatives of the Government on LSA matters, (ii) supervise compliance with the Utilization of Labor Surplus Area Concerns clause, and (iii) administer the Seller's labor surplus area subcontracting program;

(2) Provide adequate and timely consideration of the potentialities of LSA concerns in all make-or-buy decisions;

(3) Ensure that LSA concerns have an equitable opportunity to compete for subcontracts, particularly by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of offers, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules so as to facilitate the participation of LSA concerns;

(4) Include the Utilization of Labor Surplus Area Concerns clause in subcontracts that offer substantial LSA subcontracting opportunities; and

(5) Maintain records showing (i) the procedures adopted and (ii) the Seller's performance, to comply with this clause.

The records will be kept available for review by the FERMCO until the expiration of 1 year after the award of this contract, or for such longer period as may be required by any other clause of this contract or by applicable law or regulations.

(c) The Seller further agrees to insert in any related subcontract that may exceed \$500,000 and that contains the Utilization of Labor Surplus Area Concerns clause, terms that conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (c), and to notify FERMCO of the names of subcontractors.

F.4 FAR 52.222-28 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PREAWARD CLEARANCE OF SUBCONTRACTS (APR 1984)

Notwithstanding the clause entitled "Subcontracting," the Seller shall not enter into a first-tier subcontract for an estimated or actual amount of \$1 million or more without obtaining in writing from FERMCO a clearance that the proposed subcontractor is in compliance with equal opportunity requirements and therefore is eligible for award.

F.5 FAR 52.230-5 ADMINISTRATION OF COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (AUG 1987)

NOTE: This clause is applicable only if F.6 or F.7 is applicable.

For the purpose of administering the Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) requirements under this contract, the Seller shall take the steps outlined in (a) through (f) of this clause:

(a) Submit to FERMCO a description of any accounting change, the potential impact of the change on contracts containing a CAS clause, and if not obviously immaterial, a general dollar magnitude cost impact analysis of the change which displays the potential shift of costs between CAS-covered contracts by contract type (i.e., firm-fixed-price, incentive, cost-plus-fixed-fee, etc.) and other Seller business activity. As related to CAS-covered contracts, the analysis should display the potential impact of funds of the various Agencies/Departments (i.e., Department of Energy, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Army, Navy, Air Force, other Department of Defense, other Government) as follows:

(1) For any change in cost accounting practices required to comply with a new CAS in accordance with subparagraphs (a)(3) and subdivision (a)(4)(i) of the CAS clause, within 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to) after award of a contract requiring this change.

(2) For any change in cost accounting practices proposed in accordance with subdivision (a)(4)(ii) or (a)(4)(iii) of the CAS clause or with subparagraph (a)(3) of the Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause, not less than 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to) before the effective date of the proposed change.

(3) For any failure to comply with an applicable CAS or to follow a disclosed practice as contemplated by subparagraph (a)(5) of the CAS clause or by subparagraph (a)(4) of

the Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause, within 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to) after the date of agreement of noncompliance by the Seller.

(b) Submit a cost impact proposal in the form and manner specified by FERMCO within 60 days (or such other date as may be mutually agreed to) after the date of determination of the adequacy and compliance of a change submitted pursuant to paragraph (a) of this clause. If the cost impact proposal is not submitted within the specified time, or any extension granted by FERMCO, an amount not to exceed 10 percent of each payment made after that date may be withheld until such time as a proposal has been provided in the form and manner specified by FERMCO.

(c) Agree to appropriate contract and subcontract amendments to reflect adjustments established in accordance with subparagraphs (a)(4) and (a)(5) of the CAS clause or with subparagraphs (a)(3), (a)(4), of the CAS Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause.

(d) For all subcontracts subject either to the CAS clause or to the Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause --

(1) So state in the body of the subcontract, in the letter of award, or in both (self-deleting clauses shall not be used); and

(2) Include the substance of this clause in all negotiated subcontracts. In addition, within 30 days after award of the subcontract, submit the following information to the Seller's cognizant contract administration office for transmittal to the contract administration office cognizant of the subcontractor's facility:

(i) Subcontractor's name and subcontract number.

(ii) Dollar amount and date of award.

(iii) Name of Seller making the award.

(iv) Any changes the subcontractor has made or proposes to make to accounting practices that affect contracts or subcontracts containing the CAS clause or Disclosure and Consistency of Cost Accounting Practices clause, unless these changes have already been reported. If award of the subcontract results in making one or more CAS effective for the first time, this fact shall also be reported.

(e) Notify FERMCO in writing of any adjustments required to subcontracts under this contract and agree to an adjustment, based on them, to this Seller's price or estimated cost and fee. This notice is due within 30 days after proposed subcontract adjustments are received and shall include a proposal for adjusting the higher tier subcontract or the contract appropriately.

(f) For subcontracts containing the CAS clause, require the subcontractor to comply with all Standards in effect on the date of

award or of final agreement on price, as shown on the subcontractor's signed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, whichever is earlier.

F.6 FAR 52.230-2 (48CFR 9903.210-4) COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (CAS) (APR 1991)

NOTE: This clause is applicable to negotiated contracts unless exempted under 48 CFR 9903.201-1.

(a) Unless the contract is exempt under 9903.201-1 and 9903.201-2, the provisions of 9903 are incorporated herein by reference and the Seller in connection with this contract, shall--

(1) (CAS-covered Contracts Only) By submission of a Disclosure Statement, disclose in writing the Seller's cost accounting practices as required by 9903.202-1 through 9903.202-5 including methods of distinguishing direct costs from indirect costs and the basis used for allocating indirect costs. The practices disclosed for this contract shall be the same as the practices currently disclosed and applied on all other contracts and subcontracts being performed by the Seller and which contain a Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) clause. If the Seller has notified FERMCO that the Disclosure Statement contains trade secrets, and commercial or financial information which is privileged and confidential, the disclosure Statement shall be protected and shall not be released outside of FERMCO or the Government.

(2) Follow consistently the Seller's cost accounting practices in accumulating and reporting contract performance cost data concerning this contract. If any change in cost accounting practices is made for the purposes of any contract or subcontract subject to CAS requirements, the change must be applied prospectively to this contract, and the Disclosure Statement must be amended accordingly. If the contract price or cost allowance of this contract is affected by such changes, adjustment shall be made in accordance with subparagraph (a)(4) or (a)(5) of this clause, as appropriate.

(3) Comply with all CAS, including any modifications and interpretations indicated thereto contained in part 9904, in effect on the date of award of this contract or, if the Seller has submitted cost or pricing data, on the date of final agreement on price as shown on the Seller's signed certificate of current cost or pricing data. The Seller shall also comply with any CAS (or modifications to CAS) which hereafter become applicable to a contract or subcontract of the Seller. Such compliance shall be required prospectively from the date of applicability to such contract or subcontract.

(4) (i) Agree to an equitable adjustment as provided in the Changes clause of this contract if the contract cost is affected by a change which, pursuant to subparagraph (a)(3) of this clause, the Seller is required to make to the Seller's established cost accounting practices.

(ii) Negotiate with FERMCO to determine the terms and conditions under which a change may be made to a cost accounting practice, other than a change made under

other provisions of this subparagraph (a)(4) of this clause; provided that no agreement may be made under this provision that will increase costs paid by FERMCO.

(iii) When the parties agree to a change to a cost accounting practice, other than a change under subparagraph(a)(4)(i) of this clause, negotiate an equitable adjustment as provided in the Changes clause of this contract.

(5) Agree to an adjustment of the contract price or cost allowance, as appropriate, if the Seller or a subcontractor fails to comply with an applicable Cost Accounting Standard or to follow any cost accounting practice consistently and such failure results in any increased costs paid by FERMCO. Such adjustment shall provide for recovery of the increased costs to FERMCO together with interest thereon computed at the annual rate established under section 6621 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 6621) for such period from the time the adjustment is effected. In no case shall FERMCO recover costs greater than the increased cost to FERMCO, in the aggregate, on the relevant contracts subject to the price adjustment, unless the Seller made a change in its cost accounting practices of which it was aware or should have been aware at the time of price negotiations and which it failed to disclose to FERMCO.

(b) If the parties fail to agree whether the Seller or a subcontractor has complied with an applicable CAS in Part 9904 or a CAS rule or regulation in Part 9903 and as to any cost adjustment demanded by FERMCO, such failure to agree will constitute a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract.

(c) The Seller shall permit any authorized representatives of FERMCO to examine and make copies of any of the contract-related documents, papers, or records relating to compliance with the requirements of this clause.

(d) The Seller shall include in all negotiated subcontracts which the Seller enters into, the substance of this clause, except paragraph (b), and shall require such inclusion in all other subcontracts, of any tier, including the obligation to comply with all CAS in effect on the subcontract's award date or if the subcontractor has submitted cost or pricing data, on the date of final agreement on price as shown on the subcontractor's signed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data. This requirement shall apply only to negotiated subcontracts in excess of \$500,000 where the price negotiated is not based on-

(1) Established catalog or market prices of commercial items sold in substantial quantities to the general public; or

(2) Prices set by law or regulation, and except that the requirement shall not apply to negotiated contracts or subcontracts otherwise exempt from the requirement to include a CAS clause as specified in 9903.201-1.

F.7 FAR 52.230-3 (48CFR 9903.201-4C) DISCLOSURE AND CONSISTENCY OF COST ACCOUNTING PRACTICES (AUG 1992)

NOTE: This clause is applicable to negotiated contracts unless exempted under 48 CFR 9903.201-2 (b) "modified coverage".

(a) The Seller, in connection with this contract, shall --

(1) Comply with the requirements of 48 CFR, Subpart 9904.401. Consistency in Estimating, Accumulating, and Reporting Costs, and 48 CFR, Subpart 9904.402. Consistency in Allocating Costs Incurred for the Same Purpose, in effect on the date of award of this contract as indicated in 48 CFR, part 9904.

(2) (CAS-covered Contracts Only) If it is a business unit of a company required to submit a Disclosure Statement, disclose in writing its cost accounting practices as required by 48 CFR subpart 9903.202-1 through 9903.202-5. If the Seller has notified FERMCO or the Contracting Officer that the Disclosure Statement contains trade secrets and commercial or financial information which is privileged and confidential, the Disclosure Statement shall be protected and shall not be released outside of the Government or FERMCO.

(3) (i) Follow consistently the Seller's cost accounting practices. A change to such practices may be proposed, however, by either the Government or the Seller, and the Seller agrees to negotiate with FERMCO or the Contracting Officer the terms and conditions under which a change may be made. After the terms and conditions under which the change is to be made have been agreed to, the change must be applied prospectively to this contract, and the Disclosure Statement, if affected, must be amended accordingly.

(ii) The Seller shall, when the parties agree to a change to a cost accounting practice and the Contracting Officer has made the finding required in CFR, subpart 9903.201-6(b), that the change is desirable and not detrimental to the interests of the Government, negotiate an equitable adjustment as provided in the Changes clause of this contract. In the absence of the required finding, no agreement may be made under this contract clause that will increase costs paid by FERMCO.

(4) Agree to an adjustment of the contract price or cost allowance, as appropriate, if the Seller or a subcontractor fails to comply with the applicable CAS or to follow any cost accounting practice, and such failure results in any increased costs paid by FERMCO. Such adjustment shall provide for recovery of the increased costs to FERMCO together with interest thereon computed at the rate of interest established under the Internal Revenue code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 6621), from the time the payment by FERMCO was made to the time the adjustment is effected.

(b) If the parties fail to agree whether the Seller has complied with an applicable CAS, rule, or regulation as specified in 48 CFR, parts 9903 and 9904 and as to any cost adjustment demanded by FERMCO, such failure to agree will constitute a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract.

(c) The Seller shall permit any authorized representatives of the government to examine and make copies of any documents, papers, and records relating to compliance with the requirements of this clause.

(d) The Seller shall include in all negotiated subcontracts, which the Seller enters into, the substance of this clause, except paragraph (b), and shall require such inclusion in all other subcontracts of any tier, except that --

(1) If the subcontract is awarded to a business unit which pursuant to 48 CFR, subpart 9903.201 is required to follow all CAS, the clause entitled "Cost Accounting Standards," set forth in FAR 52.230-2, shall be inserted in lieu of this clause; or

(2) This requirement shall apply only to negotiated subcontracts in excess of \$500,000 where the price negotiated is not based on --

(i) Established catalog or market prices of commercial items sold in substantial quantities to the general public; or

(ii) Price set by law or regulation; or

(3) The requirement shall not apply to negotiated subcontracts otherwise exempt from the requirement to include a CAS clause as specified in 48 CFR, Subpart 9903.201-1.